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F. V. Jones Highly Honored

Wednesday evening Mr. F. V. Jones, the newly elected director of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce, attended the meeting of that body at the Hotel Oakland in Oakland.

With a constructive program now mapped out for the virile development of Oakland's industrial life, Joseph H. King, prominent realty dealer, and one of the most active of the city's "boosters," was elected to the office of director as successor to Victor H. Metcalf at the meeting of the new board of directors. The greatest harmony prevailed, the election, in each instance, being unanimous.

King assumes office pledged to a platform which promises to place Oakland in the front rank of Pacific Coast business and industrial cities within the next few years. With him were elected to office George W. Hatch, first vice-president, and W. K. Cole, the banker, second vice-president. Joseph E. Caine was re-elected managing director of the consolidated organization. Match and Cole succeed King and A. S. Lavenson, retiring members of the board.

THE WHITE SISTER.

"Ths White Sister" comes to the Bell Theater, Niles, Sunday, Dec. 19 afternoon and eveniug.

Viola Allen the famous actress is the star in this picture and that fact alone should make the picture well worth seeing. The picture will be shown at Irvington also on Sunday night. The White Sister is a 6 reel picture. taken from F. Marion Crawford's novel of the same name. In book and play "The White Sister" created a sensation. Filmed for the screen by Essanay it should prove a sensation in the picture world. Many people thought the end of perfection had been reached in the in the stage version, but the film version is greater and better. because Viola Allen has before the screen, done the greatest work of her wonderfull career.

Newark

Mrs. W. A. Booth of Berkeley is a guest at the home of Mrs. Metcalf.

Mrs. M. Lagoria, who has been here visiting friends, has returned to her home in Alameda.

Peter Purchen has returned to Valley Springs after visiting in Newark.

Mrs. Snow gave a birthday party to Mr. Snow on Wednesday evening, the occasion being the latter's birthday.

Mr. Bob McTear has been visiting at the Pise home during the past week.

Mrs. Purcell and son visited in San Francisco last Thursday.

Alfred Nunes and Jack Hafner are expected home for the holidays.

A surprise party which was given to little Mildred Dias was held at her parents home, on Wednesday evening. The evening was spent in playing cards and games.

The little hostess received many presents.

Those present were- Mr. and Mrs, Dias, Mr. and Mrs. F. Marshall, Miss Alice Calderia, Mr. and Mrs. W. Calderia. Mr. and Mrs. J. Marshall and daughter, Misses Cecil and Helen Calderia, Messrs Dias, Andreas and Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Dutra and daughter.

NEW YEARS IN OAKLAND

UNIQUE CELEBRATION TO BE ENJOYED

The most spectacular program ever held in Oakland will feature the celebration which will be given on New Year's Eve. The Oakland Merchants' Exchange has complete plans for a great mardi gras, with fire-works, dancing in the streets, singing, music, confetti battles and a number of spetacles never before seen in the bay region.

The Oakland city hall , the tallest municipal building west of Chicago will be a mass of flames of red fire and will be seen for miles arounbe

D'Arcy Ryan, the electrical expert who had charge of the lighting effects at the Panama-Pacific Exqo sition, has deen engaged to arrange for this spectacle and to supervise the work of wireing and placing the red lights on the structure. Powerfull search lights will be trained upon it from verious sections of the city, and the great building will be outlined in a brilliant silhouette, making a picture never to be forgot ten. Other tall buildings of Oakland are also to be outlined in red fire.

Special New Year's Eve dinners will be served in the hotels and res taurents, with dancing. P. A. Nan Tassell aeronaut is to make a baloon ascension at night. Another feature will be the explosian of a huge balloon proptly at mid-night. A nov.l entertainment is planed using the white walls of the Municiqal Auditorium for monster moving pictures. Railways will make special rates All are welcome,

ANOTHER FIRE IN NEWARK.

The old house belonging to Mrs. Gullivou, the colored woman now serving time in San Quentin, burned to the ground in Newark last Thursday night, at about 9:30 in the evening.

The people of Newark, as far as can be determined, gave a sigh of relief when they saw it go up in flames, as it was a neye-sore and the abode of tramps and more or less a source of danger.

Most of the town was attending the moving picture show and when they heard what it was burning, didn't make any effort to go out.

MRS. ED. DELANEY RETURNS.

Mrs. Edward Delaney, who has been on a protracted visit with friends in the East, has returned to her home in Newark. Most of her time was spent at Kansas City, Missouri, where she was extensively entertained .

On her return trip she stopped off at Los Angeles where she renewed old friendship with the family of G. Lofgren who formerly resided in Newark.

No Hope.

"Your digestive system is all out of order," said a doctor, after examining a patient. "The best advice I can give you is to discharge your cook and get a new one."

"It can't be done, doctor," answered the patient sadly. "I'm married to her!"

Back Thrust.

Mrs. Puritan—My ancestors came over in the Mayflower, I'd have you know. Mrs. D'Accustic—That may be, but they might not be allowed to land today.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Why He Was Quiet.

"What did he have to say for himself?"

"Nothing. His wife was with him."—Judge.

THE ANNEXATION OF ALVARADO

SHOULD BE IN THE DISTRICT BUT NOT MANIPULATED FOR PRIVATE ENDS

BY WILL JEFFERIS

The election for the annexation of Alvarado into the water district takes place today, and it is hoped that there will be no obstacle come up to keep the district from including a territory which comprises the real danger to the water supply, which is the pumping of water from the underground reservoir.

The election will carry, of course, because the taxpayers have nothing to lose and a little to gain by the annexation of the larger territory.

It is a great source of satisfaction to The Register that it was after attention was called to the fact that the real danger to the farmers was being overlooked that the directors circulated their petition for the annexation of the district, and it is hard to understand why this was not done years ago.

The taxpayers hope that this district is really being annexed for an honorable purpose and not, as is rumored, merely to give one certain man an opportunity to become a director, it having already being decided upon who shall resign to make room for him.

Most of our directors were chos[en] before the district was created, [and] can expect that the director of [the] Alvarado district has been cho[sen] [in] the district, it[s] people themselves have not[hing] in the matter as the new direct[or] be appointed by the majority of present board, who are not fit to [gov]ern any water district, they th[em]selves, in most cases, being too much involved with water companies to give the people a fair chance.

We have accused the Pattersons of having made an effort to sell hundreds of their acres to the Union Water Company, and it has never been denied. We understand that these same people are building levees around their marsh lands to catch the winter floods to fill them up and make property practically valueless worth several hundred an acre. Would the Patterson Estate be willing to have these floods conserved and released gradually during the summer to raise the farmers' wells? It would be more to their interest to have it rush to waste and fill up their levees. And yet Wm. Patterson is a director of the water district, created to protect the people's water supply.

Is there any doubt about Gene Stevenson having sold out to the Union Water Company? Yet he is a director of the district.

Isn't it true that Joe Shinn is selling Spring Valley Water to the county and the school and to others? Yet he is a director of the water district.

Isn't it true that the water district was made to include thousands of acres unjustly taxed, when they have absolutely nothing to do with the water supply?

Why was this done? Was it fair and honest? Is it fair to tax the people of Irvington, for instance, when they are nowhere near the underground water supply?

Or the people of Decoto?

Is it fair to tax and throw the money away in litigations when by sane methods the water supply could be increased without any taxes?

Is it true that Joe Shinn owns one of the gravel pits below the Niles bridge?

Under these conditions the people [of] the district [have] [a] right to [ask] [these] questions.

We have just had two inches of rain, and Alvarado was under water. The Logan, the Hall ranch, the old Emery place are all flooded, roads are washed out, yet we are told it needs all the floods of months of rain to fill up the cone. We are told this by men who have something to gain by these floods. The gradual flow of these floods during the dry season would not benefit these men as much as the winter floods would, so they fight for the floods and the farmers do without their water and are taxed to help men to keep them from getting it, and the farmers pay the taxes, and these men reap the benefits.

CENTERVILLE POST OFFICE ADVANCED.

Frank T. Hawes, who for the last thirteen years has been the postmaster at Centerville, has been reappointed to the same position by President Wilson. The President made the appointment last Thursday, which goes to prove that with all his worries about the European mix-up and the proximity of his wedding, which last Thursday was only a few days off, he didn't forget that Frank Hawes was the choice of the people of Centerville for postmaster. No one ran against Mr. Hawes. Heaven help them if they had—they would bounce like a rubber ball.

The people of Centerville have had the advantage of Mr. Hawes' careful management for the last thirteen years and are fortunate in having a man so reliable that he can last through all kinds of political administrations. The Centerville post office, by the way, has been advanced to one of the third class; it was fourth class before, and ranks equally with the one at Niles.

COUNTY CLERK GROSS WILL NOT RECOGNIZE PARTIES

County Clerk George Gross of Alameda county has announced that despite the ruling of Secretary of State Jordan, he will register all persons for elections hereafter without regard to party affiliations and his deputies will ask no questions as to party of the voter. Gross asserts that Jordan has not the right to make such a ruling.

AUTO COLLISION.

While Mr. Telles and his family were out motoring last Sunday, they were struck by another machine on a tour from Colorado. The small daughter of Mr. Telles, who is a business man of Mission San Jose, was thrown from the machine, but fortunately no one was seriously injured.

Niles Guild Notes

The church clubs are on a vacation until after the holidays.

BABY DIES FROMFLAME

SAD ACCIDENT IN IRVINGTON

While his mother went to the front gate last Wednesday for a moment to answer the call of the postman, the oil stove which happened to be burning in the same room exploded, setting fire to her child's garments. His screams attracted his mother, who rushed into the house and extinguished the flames, but not before they had inflicted injuries from which the child died at midnight.

The cottage, which is on the Niles road near the M. V. Perry place, was almost totally destroyed.

The small boy, Theodore Harvey, was but a little over two years old, and will be buried this Saturday.

CENTERVILLE.

A special Christmas service will be given by the children at the Alverado Presbyterian church at 7:30 P. M. Sunday, Dec, 26.

Mrs. Richmond has charge of the program and is training the children

A Christmas festival will be given by Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Rogers to the childreu and young people at the Presbyterian parsonage at Centerville next Tuesdays evening at 7 :30. The Sunday school children of the Presbyterian church of Alvarado have also been invited on Thursday evening of next week and will make the trip to Centerville in Sunday at 11 A. M. Christmas sermon will be delivered by Rev, R W. Rogers at Centerville with singing by Sunday school chorus.

Rev. Rogers has recently come to Centerville and has been pastor in some of the largest churches in Chicago and San Francisco, He is also the author of several books. Mr. and Mrs, Rogers reside in the manse at Centerville, and the work is thriving.

Percy Bell visited at the High School a couple of days this week.

Mr. Randall has gone to Fresno on business connected with his new patent.

Mr. Fitzgerald spent Sunday in San Jose.

High School closed Friday. As the faculty of the high school, or whoever it is that has charge of it, sees fit to give their items exclusively to another paper, our information is somewhat meager. Suffice it to say that the school closes for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. Swain has returned from Stockton, where she has been visiting her father who has been quite ill.

Centerville Grammar School closed for the vacation with special Christmas exercises.

There will be a dance given New Year's eve by the Young Ladies' Sodality of the Catholic Church. Rev. B. F. Baron is at the head of the affair which will be the initial dance given by the young ladies.

Mrs. J. Wirtz has returned to her home in Oregon after a visit with her sister, Mrs. J. D. Norris of Centerville.

The new building on the Hansen property is rapidly nearing completion and will make an attractive addition to the business front of Centerville.

The new home of Frank T. Dusterberry, on the old Dusterberry ranch, is beginning to come into realization, the contractors having already begun their work.

Affair at Country Club

The Country Club gave a most enjoyable affair last Saturday night, calling it a Card Club Party. There were seven tables of cards and those who did not care to play cards enjoyed the dance, the High School orchestra of Hayward furnishing the music. Mrs. Monroe Norris got the booby prize, which consisted of a small painting of the Fine Arts Palace of the Exposition. Mrs. Chester Hatch also received a prize. Information isn't authentic but it was probably the first prize, which wouldn't cause surprise, however, as she plays exceedingly well. Refreshments were served during the evening.

Miss Miranda Norris entertained the Sweet Sixteen Club last Wednesday afternoon, the exceptionally fine weather making it particularly inviting to the young ladies, who are not as young, though, as the name implies, as many of them will never see 20 again—and worse.

CLARENCE GRAHAM MARRIES.

The friends of Mr. Clarence Graham were delighted to hear of his marriage last Tuesday evening, at the home of his bride, Miss Clara Myers of Oakland. The wedding was a quiet affair, the guests being limited to the members of the immediate family. Mr. and Mrs. Graham left immediately for a six weeks' tour through the eastern States.

Niles Notes.

been visiting [illegible] B. Tyson during the week.

Mrs. Jack Walpert and Mrs. E. B. Tyson motored to Oakland on Wednesday afternoon and enjoyed the matinee performance of the "Bird of Paradise."

Mrs. K. Hammer has been visiting her niece Mrs. C. Overacker. In company with Miss Edna Tyson they motored to San Jose on Wednesday.

The Bridge Club met with Mrs. Clarence Martenstein on Tuesday. Mrs. Chester Hatch made the highest score and Miss Edna Tyson scored second. The next meeting will be with Mrs. C, Overacker on January 11, 1916.

Miss Doris Jacobus was home over Wednesday.

Fred Emerson Brooks gave a most delightful evening in the Assembly Hall of the Niles School last Thursday evening. It is seldom that a community of this size has the opportunity of having a nartist of Mr. Brooks' talent to entertain, and all those who attended were delighted with the evening.

Puzzled Him.

Uncle Ben, a very careful old darky, was a witness in a shooting case. "Were the shots simultaneous, uncle?" inquired the prosecuting attorney.

"Well, boss, you see, hit wuz dis way," replied the witness, with great deliberation. "Dem shots come so close togedder dat I can't be sho' ef dey wuz or not."—Argonaut.

Fixed.

Super — No, sir, the ghost hasn't walked for two weeks. Crittick—I saw the leading man with a wad today. He must have got his salary. Super—Oh, yes; he's the star. Crittick—What you might call a "fixed" star, eh?—Philadelphia Ledger.

Practical Way.

Gladys—I wonder which is the easiest way to acquire a fine sweeping gait? Mother—Just go over there and take that broom.—Baltimore American.

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GOLDEN STATE NEWS

TERSLEY TOLD

Oroville.—Plans are being completed here for a playground park.

Chico.—Plans are being perfected for the proposed Chico spring fair.

Stanford University.—David Starr Jordan is ill in Phoenix, Arizona.

Fall River Mills.—Fire threatened to completely destroy the California Power plant here Tuesday, December 7.

Orland.—The Orland Almond Growers have sold their crop of 960 sacks for $10,000.

Nevada City.—D. E. Morgan has been elected president of the Citizens' National Bank.

Oroville.—Mrs. Annie Taylor Randolph, 56, was recently granted a divorce from her husband, Roscoe Randolph, 28.

Martinez.—Frank Martinez and Miss Amelia Esteban of Santa Rosa, for whom the police of the bay region have been looking since their elopement Sunday, were married here December 8.

Santa Rosa.—Special Officer Ragain of the State Pharmacy Board detail on December 9 arrested two Chinese and two white men in the Sonoma valley with $800 worth of opium and pipes, etc., in their possession.

San Bernardino.—E. Perry Braid, assistant public administrator and member of a wealthy British family, was found dead December 9, a victim of self-destruction, the result, friends believe, of worry over the European war.

Paris.—Patrice de MacMahon, Duke of Magenta, has been mentioned in the orders of the day for gallant conduct at a battle in Champagne. The Duke is a son of the late Marshal MacMahon, a former President of France.

Davis.—The safe in the Davis Southern Pacific depot was robbed of $57 on December 9. The railroad clerks had gone to dinner. The burglars worked the outer combination successfully and then smashed an inside door with a hammer.

Visalia.—The Board of Supervisors December 9 passed for first reading the text of a new ordinance regulating the [illegible] of grape vines into Tulare [illegible] disease.

Oroville.—The school children of Oroville have decided to give the oranges grown upon a large number of trees in the school yard to the school children of the mountain districts of Butte county, where oranges are not so plentiful.

Martinez.—The historic ferry-boat Solano, which for thirty years carried the trains across Carquinez straits from Port Costa to Benicia, and which has been in the dry docks in Oakland undergoing a complete refitting, returned to service December 9 with $327,000 worth of new machinery.

Merced.—The Charles Kassabaum estate of $40,000 in Mariposa was finally settled December 10, when Charles Kassabaum Jr., posthumous and youngest heir of the testator, became of age. The father died April 17, 1894, and the youngest son was born the 10th of the following December.

Sacramento.—On request of the principals, the State Board of Education indorsed the nine-year training course in the normal schools of the State for the year ending June 30, 1916. By the expiration of that time the Board of Education will either give the course a permanent indorsement of reject it.

Stockton.—Harry H. Ladd has been appointed Horticultural Commissioner of San Joaquin county to succeed the late William Garden. He has been an inspector in the Commissioner's office for several years, and is considered thoroughly qualified for his new position. His tenure of office will be four years, and he will begin his duties immediately.

Porterville.—Officials of the Tulare County Protective Association, in control of a large percentage of the oranges from Tulare county, were requested in a telegram December 9 from Secretary Houston of the Department of Agriculture to either discontinue their maturity certificates or so revise them as to remove any possibility of being construed to mean that fruit shipped under such certificate had been inspected by the Federal Government employes.

Vallejo.—Vallejo was a carnival city Thursday night, December 9, when it celebrated the award of the contract to build battleship No. 44 at Mare Island. Flags were floating from all buildings and the stores were draped in colors. Automobile parades passed through the streets all the afternoon and evening, and the honking of horns was continuous. The sirens of every boat in the bay harbor took up the cry, and the whistles from manufacturing establishments added to the din.

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST CONSUL

Alleged Illegal Activities in Favor of Allies Are Pointed Out by Attorney

San Francisco.—A scathing denunciation of alleged illegal activities in favor of the allies, involving United States officials, Canadian officials, British sympathizers and Japanese sympathizers in this country, was made December 8 by Herman D. Lempke, attorney for Franz Bopp, German Consul-General at this port, in the shape of an official answer to the wholesale charges of bomb plotting against the Germans of the United States.

Specific instances of acts termed unlawful, extending over a long period, are enumerated, ad seriatim, in the first official utterance of the representatives of the Kaiser's Government in this city.

The array of alleged facts, which came as a complete surprise to the Federal special agents working on the so-called nation-wide munitions of war destruction conspiracy, is based upon investigations of Charles C. Crowley, now under arrest on two charges of consiring to destroy powder plants and vessels carrying munitions for the allies. Jointly charged with Crowley in one indictment is Bason von Brincken, attache of the German Consulate here.

The search for the missing Mrs. Abbie Cornell, who is admitted by the Government to be a very important witness in the bomb plot case, was on with even greater vigor than before. United States Attorney John W. Preston expressed regret that Mrs. Cornell was known to be wanted.

The arrest of the "bomb thrower," who escaped over the border into Canada, was reported. It is said arrangements have been completed to bring him to this city immediately. As he is accused of an offense against the United States, no difficulty in the extradition is expected. The man is reported to have engaged in alleged bombing in another territory than that of Louis J. Smith, the Government witness.

It is the opinion of those watching the inquiry closely that only a small portion of the Government case will be presented to the Grand Jury as basis for indictments.

RAILROADS PROSPERING; FARMERS DOING WELL

President of Santa Fe Says Indications Point to Continuation of Prosperity

Los Angeles.—Declaring that nearly all railroads are doing well, that farmers are more prosperous than ever before, and that there is reasonable evidence that conditions of prosperity will continue, E. P. Ripley, president of the Santa Fe Railroad, is in Los Angeles.

"Except for a few isolated cases the railroads are doing good business and we will meet our dividends readily," said Ripley. "General conditions of business are good. There is every reason to believe that they will continue so. The farmers are more prosperous than ever before. There are big crops and high prices.

"We find that many things not directly subject to war orders are affected favorably by altered conditions. A brass bed manufacturer I know has stopped baking beds and is turning out shells."

REAR-ADMIRAL LUDLOW PASSES AWAY IN EAST

New York.—Rear-Admiral Nicoll Ludlow, U. S. N., retired, died at a hotel here December 9. Rear-Admiral Ludlow was born in Islip, N. Y., in 1842. He was placed on the retired list in 1899. Admiral Ludlow was graduated from the Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1863, and in the following year took part in the capture of the Confederate cruiser Florida in the harbor of Bahia, Brazil, while on board the Wachusett. From then until his retirement he served in various squadrons. He was inspector of ordnance at the Mare Island Navy Yard in 1892.

San Francisco.—Lincoln Beachey, the young aviator, who met a spectacular death in the bay off the exposition grounds early in the exposition period, left an estate valued at $53,886.44, according to an appraisement of the Superior Court December 8 by Attorneys Fitzpatrick and Greeley. All of the estate is bequeathed to his father and mother. The mother, Mrs. Amy Beachey, is administratrix of the estate.

Woman suffragists made a round-up of Congressmen in Washington December 9 and urged every member they could find to support the Susan B. Anthony Federal suffrage amendment.

M'ADOO WOULD INCREASE TAXES TO COVER NATIONAL DEFICIT

Secretary of Treasury Estimates Disbursements Will Exceed Receipts During Next Year by $252,901,000

Washington.—Radical changes in the income tax to reach thousands not now subject to its provisions and to improve the machinery of collection were suggested to Congress in the annual report of Secretary McAdoo, as means by which the greater part of the additional revenue needed to pay for the Administration national defense plans can be provided. The Secretary proposed to lower the exemption limits so as to tax married persons with incomes as low as $3000, and single persons with $2000 incomes. The exemptions now are $4000 and $3000, respectively.

Increases in the collection force, a requirement that returns must be made of gross income in place of net income, and a change so that the tax shall not be withhheld at the source, were among McAdoo's other suggestions. He made no estimate of the number of persons who might be taxed if the amendments were adopted nor the amount that might be expected, but in connection with his request for a larger collection force he pointed out that examination of the past personal and corporation returns showed that 63 per cent of those inspected disclosed that additional tax was due the Government. On the basis of the examinations, the Secretary says that apparently more than $4,600,000 in personal tax and more than $20,891,000 in corporation tax still is due the Government.

"Many inaccurate returns are made," said the report, "some deliberately and some ignorantly, and there are, without doubt, wholesale evasions of the law throughout the country. It is absolutely certain that the Government is losing through inaccurate returns and evasions of the law a sum many times greater than the cost of the necessary field force to investigate and check the returns and to bring to account those who are failing to make returns as required by law."

In keeping with his recent announcement McAdoo suggested the p[illegible] stamp tax and the existing d[illegible] sugar should be r[illegible] said again that [illegible] necessary either to provide f[illegible] expenses or in anticipation of [illegible] burdens incident to a policy of mi[illegible] preparedness.

RENEW BRANDY TAX.

A further recommendation reads as follows:

"By the act of October 22, 1914, a tax of 55 cents per proof gallon is now imposed on brandy and wine spirits used in fortifying domestic wine. This tax, however, will, under the provisions of the act, expire by limitation January 1, 1916. It is, therefore, recommended that a like tax be imposed on all brandy or spirits used in fortifying such wine on and after that date.

OPPOSES BOND ISSUE.

"The policy of providing for the expenditures of the Government by taxation and not by bond issues," said the report, "is undoubtedly a sound one, and should be adhered to. A nation, no more than an individual, can go constantly into debt for current expenditures without eventually impairing credit. A wise, sound and permanent policy of raising the additional revenue required or preparedness and the expenditures of the Government should, therefore, be devised and adopted."

McAdoo expressed the belief that with a return of peace in Europe, customs receipts, which fell off $86,000,000 in the last year, will increase, and that the legislation suggested, with a provision to make the surtax of the income tax applicable at $10,000 instead of $20,000, the whole or part of the additional revenues can be raised. Taxes on gasoline, crude and refined oils, horsepower of automobiles, and "various other things," are suggested as further revenue raising measures.

The total estimated appropriations for the fiscal year, which begins July 1st next, McAdoo puts at $1,285,857,808, including $316,364,879 for the Postoffice, which is reimbursable, and about $90,000,000 more for the Panama canal and sinking fund. Receipts for the same year, based on existing law without extension of the sugar duty or the emergency tax, McAdoo puts at $580,200,000, and ordinary disbursements at $832,901,000, leaving an excess of disbursements over receipts if legislation is not passed to change conditions, of $252,701,000. As explained in his recent statement, however, that amount would be reduced to about $50,000,000 by the extension of the emergency and sugar tax laws.

McAdoo's report says the people of the United States have reason to congratulate themselves on the financial and business condition of the country, after the serious situation which confronted them a year ago.

GREAT STOCK OF GOLD.

In that connection the Secretary's report showed the stock of gold in the United States on November 1, 1915, was $2,198,113,762, compared with $1,805,876,580 on January 2d, and that it is by far the largest sum in gold ever held by one country. Indications were, he added, that the present stock would be greatly augmented.

The report reviews at length operations of the Treasury Department for the year, McAdoo's deposits of gold in the Atlanta, Dallas and Richmond Federal reserve banks and his decision to make reserve banks Government depositaries and fiscal agents.

Legislation recommended included [illegible] a second Pan-American financial conference in Washington in 1917, and $25,000 for the use of the United States section of the International High Commission of Uniformity of Laws for the two Americas.

PUBLIC BUILDING SITES.

The method of legislating for public buildings in an omnibus bill received the Secretary's disapproval, and he asked that it be discontinued. Needless waste of public money, he said, will be avoided if Congress will hereafter not authorize the acquisition of public building sites until authorization is made for the buildings to go on the sites. He asked that the Secretary of the Treasury be authorized to fit the building to the city, and not to make it just an imposing as the sum appropriated under the present system will permit.

McAdoo asked for two cruising cutters for the coast guard service on the Pacific Coast, to cost $700,000; a harbor cutter for New York, to cost $125,000, and one for San Francisco, to cost $50,000. He says that in plans for national defense the coast guard will have important assignment and that authorizations for the service will be valuable from a military standpoint.

Reviewing the oleomargarine and whisky frauds of the year the report again recommends changes in the oleo law to reduce the temptation to commit similar frauds.

ELLA FLAGG YOUNG, NOTED CHICAGO TEACHER, RETIRES

Chicago.—Mrs. Ella Flagg Young, who has been identified with Chicago public schools for fifty-three years, the last six as superintendent, at $10,000 a year, retired December 8. She is 71 years old. Mrs. Young plans to leave immediately for Southern California, where she purposes to establish a home.

One short sentence contained Mrs. Young's farewell message to Chicago school children. It was: "C-H-I-C-A-G-O spells opportunity. Good-bye."

The aged educator denied final interviews to newspaper men.

"I have been accused of being obsessed with a desire for publicity," she explained. "I am going to attempt to overcome that obsession."

Three hundred Villa soldiers were killed, a hundred captured and the remainder of the forces under General Jose Rodriguez dispersed five miles north of Fronteras December 9, when General P. Elias Calles rushed in from the south to the rescue of the beleaguered Carranza detachment, under General Angel Flores.

SHE FINDS HUSBAND WAS KILLED BEFORE MARRIAGE

Paris.—The custom of marriage by proxy, which has come into vogue during the war, has placed a young Parisian woman in a curious situation. She was married by proxy on November 17 to Sergeant Joseph Conduche. On December 1 she was informed officially that Sergeant Conduche had been killed at Souchez on September 28, several weeks before the marriage. Although the marriage is invalid in law, the authorities, taking account of Sergeant Conduche's intentions, will give a widow's pension to the woman.

Porterville.—Citizens of this city in mass meeting December 8 voted to employ counsel to resist the payment of paving bonds totaling $125,000 issued against their property, on the ground that the paving laid by the Federal Construction Company of San Francisco was not in accordance with the plans and specifications approved by the City Council.

newly consecrated monarch of the empire was the central figure.

CALIFORNIA LODGE A.O.U.W. BANKRUPT

Cannot Pay Benefits; Files Voluntary Petition in U. S. District Court

San Francisco.—With a record of $40,000,000 paid out in death claims and several millions more in sick and charitable benefits during the forty-seven years of its existence, the California Grand Lodge, Ancient Order of United Workmen, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court December 8. The action means the death-knell of the oldest fraternal order in California.

The Grand Lodge fixed its liabilities at $327,827.43 and its assets at but $5487.68. According to the petition, the cash balance on hand is $252.18.

Inability to secure $330,000 owing it from the supreme lodge of the order and the ultimatum of Insurance Commissioner J. E. Phelps to get the grand lodge's financial affairs straightened out by January 1st, brought on the crisis.

The bankruptcy petition was sworn to by Grand Master W. J. Petersen, Captain of Inspectors in the Oakland Police Department, and C. T. Spencer, grand recording secretary.

Almost the entire amount of liabilities are pending death claims and sick benefits due.

The financial condition of the California Grand Lodge has been precarious since it broke its affiliation with the Supreme Lodge in 1913. Previous to that time the California lodge paid an annual assessment to the Supreme Lodge to build up a guarantee fund that could be used to aid any state lodge in distress.

Although acknowledging the debt of $330,000 to the California Lodge, the Supreme Lodge was unable to pay it.

Captain Petersen of Oakland, grand master of the California Lodge, said:

"The causes that led up to the dissolution of the order were the inability to collect from the Surpeme Lodge the moneys owing California from the guaranty fund; the heavy death rate on account of the high age of the membership, and for shrinkage of membership.

"The Insurance Commissioner made an examination of the order's condition, and, as a remedy, suggested that the deficiency in reserve be charged against the certificates of members, which would mean the scaling down of all certificates in the higher ages from 25 to 75 per cent. This suggestion was followed out at a meeting last August. The result was the loss of 900 members. The income was decreased thereby from $13,000 in August to $6000 in November. As it required $7000 to meet installment claims, there was not sufficient to meet them, to say nothing of current death losses."

At the high tide of its existence the California Lodge had 23,000 members. Its present membership is 1500.

The failure of the fraternal insurance organization to meet its obligations will affect hundreds of members who have paid assessments for years on policies payable at death. Many of them are now too old to obtain other insurance.

JEBSON REPORTED DEAD; IS VICTIM OF DIVER

Noted Sea Captain of This City Among Victims of the Baratong

San Francisco.—Captain Fred Jebsen, the local ship-owner of spectacular Mexican adventures, was killed, it is claimed, on a German submarine sunk by the British patrol boat Baratong, off Lundy, August 19.

This information was given out recently by George F. Volkmann, who says that he "got it from a friend who got it from a friend in Germany."

The last heard of Jebsen by his friends in shipping circles in San Francisco was that he had made his way to Germany on a Danish steamer, disguised as a Danish sailor, and that, upon arrival, he had been made an officer on a German submarine.

The sinking of the submarine by the Baratong was reported in October, and in a dispatch sent out by the Overseas News Agency, from Berlin, Tuesday, it was alleged that marines on the Baratong killed the captain and ten men of the crew of the submarine after the vessel was sunk. Jebsen is said by Kolkmann to have been included in this number.

Redding.—Five hundred and seventy dollars is the reward offered by Trinity county stockmen for the head of an old mountain lion that has been killing cattle and hogs for the last two weeks, covering the distance from the Long Ridge country to the vicinity of Lewiston. Forty steers have been slaughtered, to say nothing of hogs and a colt or two.

MARE ISLAND WILL BUILD BATTLESHIP

Big Sea Fighter to Cost $15,000,000; Will Necessitate Extension of Yards

Washington.—Mare Island Navy Yard will build one of the two new 32,000-ton superdreadnaughts, authorized by the last Congress, which are to cost, when completed, $15,000,000 each.

This was decided by Secretary Daniels, who announced that he would award a contract for one of the ships to the Mare Island yard and the other to the New York Navy Yard.

The great battleships will be Nos. 43 and 44, and will be identical. Each will cost for hull and machinery alone approximately $7,800,000, that sum being allowed in the appropriation by Congress exclusive of armor, guns and other equipment, which will bring the total cost of each vessel to $15,000,000.

This is a great victory for Mare Island Navy Yard. It will be the first time, according to Navy Department officials, that a great battleship will be built on the Pacific Coast.

In announcing the awards Secretary Daniels said that private plants had offered bids that he could not accept under the law, and that if delay in the construction of the new dreadnaughts were to be avoided the work must be done by the Government itself.

Three private shipyards asked for the work. The Newport News Shipbuilding Company, the Fore River Shipbuilding Company and the New York Shipbuilding Company, competed with the Navy yards at New York, Mare Island and Philadelphia. The bids of the private plants were in excess of the appropriations made by Congress, whereas those of the Government yards were within the limit.

The New York Navy Yard offered to build one of the vessels for $7,069,000, and Mare Island offered to build one for $7,413,156. The Newport News Company wanted a total of $8,240,000 for the same work, and the New York Company wanted $8,068,000. The Fore River Company wanted substantially the same.

Facilities, the Secretary said, are already available at New York Navy Yard for the construction of a dreadnaught, the battleship California being now on the ways at the plant. At Mare Island, however, additional installation will be necessary, though most of the cost of this was included in the bid of that yard. An additional sum of perhaps $500,000 will have to be expended before Mare Island can proceed with the work, and Congress will be asked to make this available. It will be needed for a traveling crane, longer slips and other improvements.

The Secretary announced that he would ask for perhaps $1,000,000 with which to install equipment at the Philadelphia Navy Yard, making it possible for that plant to build a battleship. This sum, as well as $500,000 needed at Mare Island, will be regarded as a permanent investment, and not chargeable to the cost of any ship which either yard will build.

SWEEPING INQUIRY OF ARMY AVIATION CORPS

War Department's Decision Is Result of Finding in Late Court-Martial

Washington.—Secretary of War Garrison will order a sweeping investigation of the Army aviation corps as a result of developments during the court-martial at San Francisco of Lieutenant-Colonel Lewis F. Goodier, who was charged with having attempted to interfere with the aviation school at San Diego. The record of the proceedings of the court-martial has reached the War Department and is undergoing review by General Crowder, Judge Advocate General, preliminary to final action by the President.

San Jose.—Patrick Egan was December 8 sentenced to 180 days in the county jail for the third time this year in the police court. Egan's good jail behavior has shortened his previous sentences. Egan is widely known as "Santa Fe Pat." He wielded a mallet along with a lot of railroad notables when the two divisions of the Santa Fe Railroad were connected by the driving of a golden spike. For several years he has been an irregular occupant of the county jail because of a penchant for liquor.

The Porto Rico liner Coamo was stopped December 9 by the French cruiser Des Cartes, which took four German firemen from the merchant-man on board the warship. The search lasted from 2 to 5:30 o'clock a. m., the officers, the crew and the entire list of passengers being examined.

MODERN "HUMBLE PIE"

DISH THAT HAS MANY THINGS TO RECOMMEND IT.

Of Ancient Origin, It Is Well Worth Copying by the Housewife of the Present Day—Ingredients Generally on Hand.

Humble pie is still met with in the rural districts of England, Scotland and Ireland. It is not merely the proverbial dish which the proud must sometimes eat. Originally it was a meat or game pie made for the servants of noblemen and furnished an appetizing and economical method of utilizing the less desirable parts of animals brought in from the chase.

After a prolonged and successful hunt a prodigious humble pie was made sufficient for all the retainers of the estate. This was eaten in the great kitchen after the nobleman and his guests had enjoyed the choicer portions. The pastry used for this huge pie was originally made from the drippings from the roasts of venison or game, which increased the savory flavor of the finished dish.

The modern humble pie can be baked in a deep fireproof pudding dish of a size to meet the needs of the family. Line the dish with plain crust and place large pieces of raw potato here and there, so that the crust shall be weighted down and not lose its shape while baking. When partly cooked remove from the oven, take out the pieces of raw potato and fill with a hot mixture of whatever material is at hand, such as remnants of cooked veal, beef, liver, ham or fowl, enriched with bits of finely chopped suet, highly seasoned with onion juice, minced parsley, pepper and salt, and moistened with gravy and broth.

Stale bread, cut in dice, cubes of potato or other cooked vegetable may be added if the supply of meat is scant. Smooth the top of the filling neatly, arrange strips of crust in lattice fashion and return to the oven until the top is well browned. This dish somewhat resembles the economical shepherd's pie, which is topped with mashed potato instead of crust, and which does not have anything between the meat filling and the fireproof dish.

Either of these dishes makes a hearty meal if served with gravy or tomato sauce and affords an economical and easy method of utilizing leftovers of meat or vegetables. Where Irish stew is left from a previous meal this will be found a good filling for a humble pie.

For Hot Biscuit.

Any hostess who prides herself on her delicious biscuit should not fail to keep them tasty by having them covered during the meal, so that they will retain the heat. An attractive cover can be made of white linen having a square center and four pointed ends. On one of the pointed pieces two biscuit might be embroidered. To make the design more realistic you can tint the biscuits brown and then outline the edges of them. Or, in place of using the design, embroider the words "Hot Biscuit" on the linen. Have such a cover ready for the next plate of hot biscuit you serve to your friends and enjoy the praise you will receive for your needlework and your culinary ability.

Angel Cake.

Whites of six eggs, one-half teaspoonful of cream tartar, one-fourth teaspoonful soda, one and one-fourth cupfuls granulated sugar, one cupful flour, pinch of salt, three-fourths teaspoonful of almond extract. Sift the flour four times. Add salt to eggs and beat, then add cream tartar and soda and continue beating until stiff and dry, then add sugar gradually and continue beating. Add flavoring and lastly fold in the flour lightly, but thoroughly. Bake forty-five minutes in a moderate oven in an unbuttered angel cake tin.

Rule for Baking a Cake.

Divide the time into four parts. During the first part the cake should rise and not color at all. In the second it should continue to rise and begin faintly to color. In the third it should become evenly tinted a very light brown. In the fourth period the heat may be slightly diminished, if necessary, and the cake will "shrink" a very little from the sides of the pan. A covered pan is useful in some ovens. Do not move the cake during the second and third quarters. Let it cool while hanging in the inverted pan.

Corn Custard.

Score the kernels in a dozen ears of green corn, scrape out the pulp and add to the beaten yolks of four eggs, a teaspoonful of salt and a saltspoonful of pepper. Add one pint of milk and mix, then stir in carefully the stiffly-baten whites of four eggs; pour into buttered pudding dish and bake slowly until firm.

Flannel Cakes.

Beat the yolks of two eggs until light, add two cupfuls of flour mixed and sifted with one-half teaspoonful of salt and three teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Fold in the stiffly beaten whites and bake on a well-greased griddle.

Flour Baths for Delicate Woolens.

Delicate white woolen things can be easily and quickly cleaned by giving them a bath in a basin containing only a few handfuls of ordinary wheat flour

Dress and Coat Combination

An interesting phase of the new fashions is the two-piece evening dress combining a wrap with the frock, and the two-piece costume incorporating a frock and matching coat.

The former finds its most artistic exponent in a Callot evening gown, made of shell-pink velvet draped on elastic lines and markedly narrow as contrasted with the general run of skirts. The drapery is drawn up at one side and caught against the bodice with a large rose several shades deeper than the velvet of the frock.

At first sight the bodice seems the simplest sort of a creation. It is cut in one with the skirt and very slightly draped through the waist line. The neck is cut in a deep square outline, and across the shoulders there are bands of small rhinestones that connect the front and back of the garment. Like many of the new Paris models, this dress exploits a train. It appears to be a part of the drapery, and graduates into a mere bit of a point at the end.

The frock itself is beautiful, but this quality is enhanced when it is worn with the mantle which was particularly designed for it. The mantle is of black velvet, lined throughout with pink velvet like that which composes the gown. The neck is finished with a collarette of black ostrich feathers, absolutely straight and arranged to give a double fringe effect.

The dress and coat combination is one that will appeal to American women who like novelty associated with practical qualities.

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Thin Fabrics Worn.

As the season progresses the vogue of transparent fabrics for evening frocks increases. There is nothing prettier for the debutante's first ball, or for the opera, than a frock of white tulle, soft and billowy, with flounces and frills, and with panniers of mother-of-pearl pailleted net. Silver and gold lace and fine net embroidered in gold or silver form flounces on many evening frocks.

Certain Coats for Winter Motoring

Certain fur coats, made of skins not treated to change their appearance (except that some of them are dyed) make the warmest and smartest motor coats. Pony skins, leopard skin and unplucked seal are chosen for this kind of wear by those who intend to face the cold with comfort and achieve a triumph of smart appearance at the same time.

The pony skin is dyed black usually, although there is no good reason why the beautiful brown and white markings should be changed, if the coat is only to be worn in the car. But the black pony skin coat is as practical for all sorts of wear as a heavy cloth coat, and as a happy choice for all-winter all-round use. One of the best models is shown in the picture. It is cut with ample shoulder width, straight and roomy sleeves, and fastens to one side. The sleeves are gathered in to rather close-fitting cuffs. The wide collar will roll up about the neck as high as is needed, or may be turned back. The model is cut on straight lines, enfolding the figure closely. It is as appropriate for the street as for the car.

Leopard and unplucked seal are not dyed, but made up to feature their markings. They are handsome and unusual, and are more expensive than pony.

Cloth coats in the heaviest wool mixtures, designed for motor wear, are made in a great variety of styles and colors. They are cut with a flare from the shoulders, as a rule, and are often belted in, as in the coat shown here. This is made with raglan sleeves and big patch pockets, and is finished with machine stitching. Many models have wide collars that button close about the neck. The fad for mufflers and cape of yarn to match, makes the big collar less imperative, but is always a safe choice.

Julia Bottomley

HELPING WOMEN IN CHINA

Practical Work That Is Being Done by League of American Ladies Working in the Orient.

To Mrs. Lotta Carswell Hume, an American, belongs the credit of organizing and pushing to success the Woman's Social Service league of Changsha, China. Changsha is the only city in the Chinese empire in which the commission sent out by the China Medical Board of the Rockefeller Foundation found hospital social service actively developed.

The Woman's Social Service league of Changsha was organized in 1913, and since the beginning has been a distinctly Chinese institution, for Mrs. Hume, believing in native leadership, has steadily refused to assume any official position. Not only is the membership made up exclusively of native women, but all the funds except $150 used during the first year of its work were given by Chinese. The wife of the governor of the province in which Changsha is located is an active member of the league and besides her regular membership fee gave $30 to the work.

"Soon after organization we discovered that the work had a double significance," said Mrs. Hume when telling of efforts in establishing the league and getting it going. "On the one hand it offered practical relief to the poor while teaching them methods of self-protection against disease and by offering facilities for relief from disease and unhygienic living. It also furnished the well-to-do, leisure class of Chinese women an opportunity for performing unselfish service for others. This is something they have sorely needed to save them from the deadening effect of life without outward expression. The enthusiastic response of these women proved that a definite point of contact had at last been found between the two classes of women in China."

Before going to China Mrs. Hume studied nursing at Johns Hopkins university under Adelaide Nutting. The methods employed at Changsha are American adapted to Chinese conditions. Even the book "Holt's Care of the Baby," was carefully adapted to the use of Chinese mothers before being distributed as a circular supplementing league lectures to mothers.

Notre Dame de Lorette.

Out beyond the wood, on the hillside, in the communication trenches and other trenches, we were enabled to comprehend the true significance of that phrase uttered so carelessly by newspaper readers—Notre Dame de Lorette.

The whole of the ground was in heaps. There was no spot, literally, on which a shell had not burst. Vegetation was quite at an end. The shells seemed to have sterilized the earth. There was not a tree, not a bush, not a blade of any sort, not a root. Even the rankest weeds refused to sprout in the perfect desolation. And this was the incomparable soil of France. The trenches meandered for miles through the pitted brown slopes, and nothing could be seen from them but vast incumbrances of barbed wire—knotted metal heaped on the unyielding earth . . . I noticed a few bricks in the monotonous expanse of dwarf earth mounds made by shells.

"Hello!" I said. "Was there a cottage here?"

No! What I had discovered was the illustrious chapel of Notre Dame de Lorette.

Rural Mail for Arctic.

Rural free mail delivery in the arctic circle is the latest accomplishment of the Winnipeg post office, and letters are beginning to collect at the local post office for residents in the "Land of the Midnight Sun."

On November 29 the first of these arctic rural mail carriers will leave Edmonton, Alta. He will go as far north as Fort McPherson, delivering letters to settlers and squatters on the way. He will start by railroad and go to Athabasca Landing, then by stages, horse and cutter, and when the trails get too heavy he will use a dog sled.

On December 29, January 28 and February 25, other mails will leave for various parts of the arctic circle and Herschell island, headquarters of San Francisco whalers. No letter must weigh more than half an ounce and preference will be given to those registered. If possible newspapers will be taken.—Winnipeg Dispatch New York Sun.

Sponge Thrown at Him, Sues.

Leon Janow, who admits he is "weak and diminutive," had a bill to collect from Solon L. Frank, 225 West Twenty-third street, New York. He got word that Frank was in the clubrooms of the Fulton club at Durland's Riding academy, and went there to collect.

"When I made the demand," Janow alleges in a complaint he filed in the supreme court against Frank, "the defendant roared at me, rushed at me, kicked me in the thigh and threw a sponge at me several times." After the sponge had been thrown at him, Janow avers, he had to go and see a doctor.

He wants $5,000 damages.

Wise to Their Ways.

"Madam," said the book canvasser to the lady who had opened the door in answer to his ring, "if you have a moment to spare, I'd like to show you this great work on the 'Habits of Savage Animals.'"

"No use wasting your time, young man," replied the female of the species. "I've been married three times and know all about their habits."

Meant to Withstand Wear or Weather

With little concession to the last word in fashions these two severely tailored suits present themselves to those who know the strength of their good style. They are suits made to stand the stress of wear and weather and to make their owners look trim and "well set up," rain or shine.

The first suit is made of cravenetted dark blue serge. The coat is straight, with a little extra fullness at the sides and back in the skirt portion by way of recognition of the season's demands. It fastens to one side with bone buttons, and the revers, cuffs and pockets are bound with silk braid.

The skirt is plain and moderately wide, sloping outward from hip to hem. It is cut ankle length and has lapped seams. Small bone buttons finish the plain coat sleeves.

Such a suit is not hurt by the rain and returns from the cleaners as good as new.

In the second model the skirt is widened by the introduction of three plaits at each side, and trimmed with a row of bone buttons set on the middle plait. The coat is a box model with a single small slip pocket at one side. It is finished with machine stitching and small bone buttons are used for decorating it at the sides and on the sleeves. A double row of larger ones take care of the fastening of the double-breasted front. The skirt is worn shorter than shown in the picture and is both more sensible and more up to date when cut to reach a very little below the shoe tops.

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Sewing Hint.

In darning damask, if threads are drawn from one end of the material and used for the purpose, the patched place will scarcely be noticed. This is advisable when one has a very valuable piece which has accidentally been torn.

The Brilliance of Small Hats

Those whose allegiance holds to the small hat have been repaid by its brilliance as a millinery achievement this season. Though dividing honors with the wide-brimmed styles, the small hat has been allowed greater latitude in the matter of trimming, and intricacy has marked its draping. Even so, its trimming may be classed as simple compared to that which has gone before. But designers have spent their ingenuity in finding odd poses for the season's odd trimmings and in the management of drapery and lines.

Beautiful velvets in colors that are an inspiration to the designers have been used for making many of the small hats, and velvet turbans may be said to predominate. But there are others. A few handsome ones are entirely of feathers. Novelty bands and fabrics, plush, metallic laces and fur are all conspicuous in the composition of the small hat.

Two turbans in which velvet is used are shown here and will serve to illustrate what has been said of the small hat for this season. In the first one a single piece of velvet covers the shape and forms a drapery at the left side. Where the velvet is stretched smoothly over the coronet an ornamental pattern in steel beads has been applied, and where the velvet drapery is gathered in at the right a cabochon made of the velvet finishes it. A similar cabochon catches the velvet at the back. These are the handwork of the milliner.

The crown is supported by a crinoline foundation and the hat finished off with two fancy feathers made of ostrich flues.

The second hat is of hatters' plush, with high straight crown and narrow rolling brim. Bows of wide velvet ribbon are daringly mounted at the front and back of the top crown.

Just how eccentric the shape of a turban may be, if its designer understands the management of lines, is shown in the third picture. A round crown is surrounded on three sides by a high curving brim, all covered smoothly with black velvet. A shape so spirited and so simple demands trimming of the same sort and finds it in the graceful spray of paradise that springs skyward from the crown.

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BOARD WILL SUBMIT TO WILL OF PEOPLE

Supervisors Pass Ordinance to Refer All Purchases to Voters.

Disposing of all discussion concerning the purchase of county buildings in the future, the Alameda County Board of Supervisors at Monday's session passed an ordinance forbidding the Board to buy courthouse, hall of records or any like sites without first submitting the matter to a vote of the people. Only hospital sites were not included in the ordinance.

The ordinance, introduced by Supervisor Mullins, ends the chance of an election and makes unnecessary the initiative petition filed, with a referendum petition, when the proposed Delger $350,000 purchase was a subject of contention a few weeks ago.

The taxpayers of Alameda county owe a debt of gratitude for this outcome of what promised to be a bad piece of business for the county. The issue fought was the Delger purchase, from the time it was submitted, on the grounds that it was not worth the price asked, that it was not timely and that a transaction involving such a large amount of money should be submitted to a vote of the people. The supporters were outvoted when the matter came to an issue before the Board but they immediately started referendum petitions throughout the county and secured several thousand more signatures than were necessary to compel the submission of the proposition to a vote of the people at the next election. The [illegible] of the Delger proposition immediately withdrew, and with the latest action by the Board all chance to force a site purchase through the Board is ended.

OAKLAND WILL CELEBRATE.

Oakland will hold an elaborate New Year's eve celebration this year if the plans being formulated by the Merchants' Exchange are carried out. Music, singing, dancing, mardi gras features of all kinds will be given and of special importance will be the illuminations, the big feature to be the lighting of the city hall from the first floor to the top of the tower. D'Arcy Ryan, electrical expert, who has had charge of the lighting effects at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, will come to Oakland this week to outline this work. The stringing of the wires and the placing of lights is to begin in a few days. Powerful searchlights will be thrown on the building from different sections of the building.

NILES BOY A PROMINENT OAKLAND BUSINESS MAN

The county has a number of the foremost young business men of Oakland, who have made a mark in the financial affairs of that big, climbing city. At the head of the list is a Niles boy, Harry Mosher, who is now third that recently absorbed the United Savings Bank, and is now one of the biggest baiking institutions in the West. Mr. Mosher is indeed an honor to Alameda county.

President Carlson is one of the greatest financiers on the Pacific Coast and has surely placed Oakland on the map.—Hayward Journal.

The Register for News

Lodge Items

The Hard Time Dance given by the W. O W. was quite successfull the prizes being won by Mrs. Peterson and Fodder Dolan.

NILES

Mrs. A I Sampson returned home Saturday after a weeks visit in San Francisco.

Mr. Chas. Reed met with a painfull accident Wed. afternoon. He fell from a wagon and sustained a fractured ankle.

The "Parent Teachers Association" Benefit given Tues day night presented an enjoyable program of 6 reels of pictures anb vocal selections by Mrs. Donivan and Mr. Stratten accompanied by Miss Bernard. This pleasing program was enjoyed by a small audience, the fault no doubt of much sickness in the community. It is hoped that their next effort will be more successfull financially.

THE MAMERTINE PRISON.

Where King Jugurtha and St. Paul Were Immured.

The reputed place of St. Paul's long imprisonment, the Forum, is the center of the noblest ruin of Rome. Not far from the center of the busy, noisy, modern city rise the scarred ruins of her ancient glory. Here are the temple of Saturn, with its eight columns; the often copied three columns of the temple of Castor and Pollux, the arch of Septimius Severus, the temples of Vesta and Caesar and many other famous ruins, and beyond are the palaces of the Caesars. Not far away is the magnificent column of Trajan, 147 feet in height, around which run reliefs of the emperor's wars, containing, it is said, over 2,500 sculptured human figures.

Close to the entrance to the Forum, this most wonderful collection of the ruined monuments of ancient times, is a small church called the Church of St. Giuseppi dei Falegnani. Under this church are two dungeons, an upper and a lower, called the Mamertine prison, and from a hole in the upper chamber prisoners were lowered into the noisome hole below, sometimes to perish miserably of starvation, as did Jugurtha, king of Numidia, with whom schoolboys become so familiar in their first year of Latin.

In this dungeon, uncounted thousands of Christians believe, St. Paul and St. Peter were immured, and every year on the night of the 4th of July representatives of all the churches of Rome assemble by torchlight and "in solemn silence kneel in front of the traditional pillar."—Christian Herald.

OUR NAVEL ORANGES.

We Got Them From Brazil, Where They Were First Cultivated.

The navel orange first appeared at Bahia, Brazil, as a bud sport of the Portuguese variety of orange, Laranja selecta, and was first propagated by a Portuguese gardener at Bahia in 1822.

These statements and those that follow are made on the authority of A. D. Shamel, physiologist of the United States department of agriculture, Riverside, Cal., who tells in the Journal of Heredity the results of an expedition to Brazil made by himself, P. H. Dorsett and Wilson Popenoe.

There are about 50,000 trees growing navel oranges at Bahia.

The navel orange was introduced into the United States in 1873 by William Saunders, horticulturist and landscape gardener of the patent office. He got the American consul to send him some of the trees, which he budded on seedlings grown in the government greenhouses. He sent two to Mrs. L. C. Tibbetts of Riverside, Cal., and the others to Florida. The latter never amounted to much, but the former thrived and are still living and bearing fruit. All the navel orange trees in California are their progeny. There are about 100,000 acres of this variety in that state, and about 10,000,000 boxes are produced every year.

The navel orange cannot be grown from seed, as it contains no seed. It is in California generally budded upon stocks from the Mission sweet seedling orange.

THE SEVEN DAYS' KING.

Short and Tumultuous Career of a Neapolitan Fisherman.

In 1647, when the kingdom of Naples was under the grinding rule of Spain, a fisherman of Sorrento was stung to madness by the indignities offered his wife by Spanish officials because she had attempted to smuggle a few handfuls of flour. So furious was he that he tore down an edict that had just been posted by the authorities.

The whole population, including women and children, rallied around him. Forty years of Spanish oppression had made them frantic. They terrified the viceroy, resisted the soldiers successfully and killed many of the Spanish residents. They secured a revocation of oppressive edicts, the abolishment of oppressive taxes and full pardon for all who engaged in the insurrection.

The fisherman, whose name was Masanielo, was the leader in all this and became the idol of the people. He ruled Naples for seven days, but his success seems to have turned his head. He became dictatorial and oppressive and was put to death by the populace. Hence he is called the "seven days [illegible]"—Argonaut.

"We" and "They."

In the smaller towns and country districts people say "we" when they speak of governmental activity. "We" built the courthouse and got it done at low cost. "We" organized the high school. "We" pay the expenses of keeping prisoners in the jail.

In the big cities people say "they." "Why don't 'they' do thus and so?" People wonder when the city government falls down. It isn't a personal matter with them. The government isn't their government. It belongs to somebody else.

There is a world of difference in the two attitudes. When the people of the cities get to saying "we" about their cities and counties, then they are going to clean house and take possession.—Kansas City Star.

What the Knife Said.

"Some folks want funny inscriptions engraved on their silver," said the jeweler. "Take wedding knives. Many wedding cakes are such mountainous affairs that a special knife is required to cut them. One of last month's brides cut her cake with a knife that was a present from her aunt. I guess not many of the guests got to read the inscription. If they had they would be talking about it yet. These knives are supposed to be used for cutting the bride's cake and then laid on the shelf for the rest of the time, but the aunt couldn't distinguish, apparently, between wedding and birthday cakes, for she made us engrave on the knife, 'May I serve thee well and often.'"—New York Press.

Passing of the Whale.

The whale is passing and rapidly. Modern means of destroying him have reduced his numbers until, comparatively speaking, only a few remain. Ten years ago the whalers operating from the various Newfoundland stations made an annual catch of 1,500. Today a catch of 200 in a year is considered remarkable. The whale will soon be extinct at that rate.—Boston Herald.

Scientific Research.

"Well, what is the professor up to now?"

"More scientific research. He is conducting experiments to determine the exact velocity with which a man drops a hot potato."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Just a Lapse.

Hokus—I actually caught Longbow telling the truth yesterday. Pokus—Wasn't he embarrassed? Hokus—Only momentarily. He immediately tried to lie out of it.—Life.

Repetition Desired.

He—Dearest, this kiss tells you all I have to say. Have you understood me? She—Oh, please say it again.—Boston Transcript.

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Mrs. Julia Straven was a guest at the Griffin home over Sunday.

Mrs. Eidenger and her daughter, Miss Minnie Eidenger of Placerville, spent Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. Lutz.

Since the Fair closed no one seems to be going anywhere, with the proximity of Xmas making its toll on the pocket book.

Will Hirsch was in San Francisco last Tuesday making purchases and attending to some business matters.

Frank Reynolds was in town Thursday on business.

Billie Benbow has been spending several days this week in San Jose.

Mrs. Trethfell and Miss Gertrude Horn did some shopping in San Jose on Wednesday.

Mrs. Miller of Ukiah is a visitor at the Horner home.

Miss Nellie Beardsley has returned home from San Francisco where she has been on a prolonged visit.

The school children enjoyed a Christmas entertainment at the school on Friday afternoon, it being the last day of school. A Christmas tree, candies, and everything pertaining to the occasion was provided by our local staff of teachers, and the little ones were given a splendid time.

A man came into town the other day and pronounced Irwington one of the most beautiful little villages he had ever seen. He extolled the buildings and the people and the climate, and said everything that was lovely, and everyone was delighted until they found out that he was an insurance man looking for policies.

SCHEDULE OF FARM BUREAU CENTER MEETINGS FOR DECEMBER.

Monday, Dec. 6th—Hayward Center, meets at Mt. Eden, at the Wigwam.

Friday, Dec. 10—Castro Valley Center meets at the Castro Valley School.

Monday, Dec. 13—Murray Township Center meets at the Town Hall, Livermore.

Thursday, Dec. 6—Pleasanton Center meets at the Town Hall, Pleasanton.

Tuesday, Dec. 21—Irvington Center meets at Library Hall, Irvington.

Thursday, Dec. 23—Centerville Center meets at Stevenson Bldg., Centerville.

Monday, Dec. 27—Newark Center meets at the Newark Amusement Co. Pavilion, Newark.

Wednesday, Dec. 29—Niles Center meets at the Chamber of Commerce, Niles.

The public and all interested are earnestly requested to attend these meetings.

Nelson Won the Elgin Marbles.

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"That it was wood did not appear as it hung on the wall, and I asked him for particulars. It was about a foot square with an oval center, containing a bas-relief of a Greek goddess. The square was in ebony and mahogany and the head in white wood.

"He had secured his cameo effects by first building up his square with the three layers, glued and pressed so tightly that there were no marks of cleavage, and had cut through them exactly as cameo carvers cut through the usual shell cameos. The ebony front was plain, but finely polished, and the entire effect was excellent.

"He told me it was his unfinished work, though he had been engraving for two years, and, while he was not entirely satisfied with it, it was considerable consolation to him to the fact that he had an object to which whenever he wanted to d[illegible]."—New York Sun.

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SNOWBALL'S RETURN.

Kit and Puff sat in the barn doorway when their master drove home with Snowball. You remember he went to sea and was gone three weeks.

"Who is that on the seat with master?" asked Kit. "I do believe he got another white cat."

"It's poor Snowball's ghost," said Puff, staring; "it looks just like him, too."

Snowball jumped from the wagon and ran toward the barn.

"It is Snowball," said Kit. "Aren't you dead?" he asked.

"I was sure a dog had you this time," said Puff. "Where have you been?"

"No, a dog did not get me," said Snowball, "and I am not dead, as you can see; I have been to sea," he said, proudly swinging his tail and holding his head very high to show his new ribbon.

"To see what?" asked Puff.

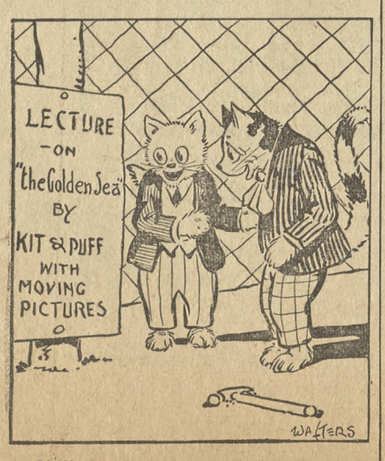
"To see whales and water and flying fish and all the things you see from a big ship on the ocean. I have been on the Golden Caribbean."

Puff and Kit just stared at him; they did not understand one word.

"You have been gone a long time," said Kit.

"Of course I have; it takes three weeks to make the trip."

"Were you on the water all the



Nailed the Poster on the Fence.

time?" asked Puff, "and didn't you get wet?"

"Of course I didn't get wet," said Snowball. "I was on a big ship; it is just like a house, and you sail right along on the top of the water."

"Did you see any fish?" asked Kit.

"Yes," said Snowball, "they flew on the deck of the steamer."

"Flew?" asked both kittens.

"Yes," said Snowball, "and I saw a whale, too. You have to travel if you want to see things; you cannot stay around the farm all your life and know what there is in the world."

"He gets all the attention," said Kit as Snowball walked away. "I wish we could do something so people would notice us, but it is always Snowball, and I do not suppose he ever mentions us to anyone on his travels."

"He is being spoiled," said Puff, "and I think we are as smart as he is, only we are more reserved. I have an idea, if you will help me, and I am sure that we can become as famous as Snowball."

"What is it?" asked Kit. "I'll help you if I can."

"It is this," said Puff. "We can get Snowball to tell us all about his sea trip again, the flying whale and the fish and the gold sea and all the other things, and after we have heard it enough to remember all of it we'll give a lecture."

"Who will come to it?" asked Kit.

"All the cats and kittens in the neighborhood," said Puff, "and we'll have moving pictures, too."

"Where will you get them?" asked Kit.

"Don't you remember the moving picture machine that master's little boy had Christmas? He is tired of it and it is in the closet. We'll get it, and there is a picture of a white kitten rolling a ball; we'll say it is Snowball on the ship."

"Yes," said Kit; "he said he rolled."

"I am sure we will be as famous as Snowball after we given this lecture.

We will write a notice and nail it on the fence on the road:

Lecture
—on—
"THE GOLDEN SEA,"
—by—
Kit and Puff,
With Moving Pictures.

"That sounds splendid," said Kit. "I think it is better than going to sea."

The next week, when Snowball went to the city with his master, Puff and Kit nailed the poster on the fence and by moontime the yard was filled with cats, big and little, their coats all slick and shining, for the lecture was considered quite a social event.

When they were seated Puff said: "We shall have to make the barn very dark so that the pictures can be seen, and I must request the audience to remain quietly seated all through the lecture; even if anyone should see a mouse or a rat, please restrain yourselves."

Then he began his lecture and told them all about the strange sights that Snowball had told about, and every little while Kit would turn the picture machine and show the white kitten rolling a ball.

"Looks just like him, does it not?" said one Mrs. Tabby. "I should know it anywhere," said another. And when the lecture was ended Kit and Puff were the social lions of the neighborhood.

"It was perfectly lovely," said one kitten.

"Yes," said another, "it was just like a trip on the ocean."

When Snowball rode into the yard the cats were crowded about Kit and Puff, telling them how wonderful the lecture was and how much they enjoyed it.

Snowball walked toward them to see what was going on, but no one noticed him; they were too much interested in Puff and Kit.

Finally, one old tabby saw him and shook hands, or paws, with him.

"You should have heard your brother's lecture on the Golden Sea," she said, "it was most interesting. Kit and Puff are very entertaining kittens."

Snowball was too much astonished to reply. After the kittens and cats had departed he asked Kit and Puff what Mrs. Tabby had meant.

"We gave a lecture on your trip," said Puff. "It's all very well to see things, but it is quite another matter to give an interesting lecture on that which you have seen," and Kit and Puff walked away with high heads, leaving poor Snowball gazing after them.

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Pining, Moping, Screwed-Up, Wasp-Waisted Daughters of Fashion Unfit to Marry.

A celebrated clergyman once startled the young ladies of his flock with the following advice:

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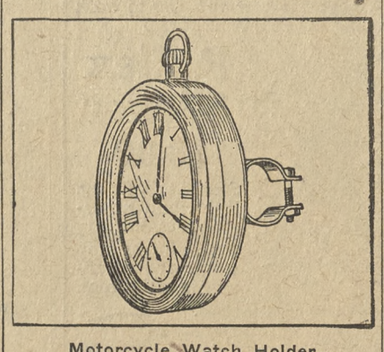
"But you, ye pining, moping, lolling, screwed-up, wasp-waisted, mortgaged, music - murdering, novel - devouring daughters of fashion and idleness, you are no more fit for matrimony than a pullet is to look after a family of 14 chickens. The truth is, my dear girls, you want more liberty and less fashionable restraint, more kitchen and less parlor, more exercise and less sofa, more pudding and less piano, more frankness and less mock modesty, more breakfast and less bustle.

"Loose yourselves a little, enjoy more liberty and less restraint by fashion, breathe the pure atmosphere of freedom, and become something as lovely and beautiful as nature designed."

WATCH HOLDER QUITE HANDY

Motorcyclist Wishing to Keep Track of Time of Day Can Easily Attach Timepiece to Machine.

A watch holder for a motorcycle can be easily constructed of a small flat tin can or box of the kind used by druggists for salve or powders. A circular piece, the size of the watch face, is cut from the cover with a cir-



Motorcycle Watch Holder.

cular can cutter. A slot is made in the side to admit the stem of the watch. If the watch does not fit snugly in the box, paper or cotton may be packed in tightly to fill up the extra space. The cover is put on and soldered in place, and a piece of metal is bent as shown and soldered to the back of the case. The holder is clamped to the handlebar. An inexpensive watch will serve the purpose. —Popular Mechanics.

Dirt Didn't Matter.

A Boston minister tells of a little girl friend of his who one day proudly displayed for his admiration a candy cat.

"Are you going to eat it?" the minister asked.

"No, sir; it's too pretty to eat. I'm going to keep it," the little girl replied, as she stroked it with a moist little hand.

Several days later the minister saw her again, and inquired about the cat.

A regretful look came into her eyes.

"It's gone," she sighed. "You see, I saved it and saved it, till it got so dirty that I just had to eat it."

He Knew Her.

Mrs. Benton Holme—I'm writing an important letter, Willie, and I want you to be as quiet as a mouse.

Willie (aged seven)—Say, if I was a mouse you'd jump up on the table and holler blue murder.

HIS LOVE STORY

by MARIE VAN VORST

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SYNOPSIS.

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Le Comte de Sabron, captain of French cavalry, takes to his quarters to raise by hand a motherless Irish terrier pup, and names it Pitchoune. He dines with the Marquise d'Esclignac and meets Miss Julia Redmond, American heiress, who sings for him an English ballad that lingers in his memory. Sabron is ordered to Algiers, but is not allowed to take servants or dogs. Miss Redmond offers to take care of the dog during his master's absence, but Pitchoune, homesick for his master, runs away from her. The Marquise plans to marry Julia to the Duc de Tremont. Unknown to Sabron, Pitchoune follows him to Algiers. Dog and master meet and Sabron gets permission from the war minister to keep his dog with him. Julia writes him that Pitchoune has run away from her. He writes Julia of Pitchoune. The Duc de Tremont finds the American heiress capricious. A newspaper report that Sabron is among the missing after an engagement with the natives causes Julia to confess to her aunt that she loves him. Sabron, wounded in an engagement, falls into the dry bed of a river, and is watched over by Pitchoune. After a horrible night and day Pitchoune leaves him. Julia goes in search of Sabron, reported missing. Tremont takes Julia and the Marquise to Algiers in his yacht, not knowing their errand.

CHAPTER XVI—Continued.

With his godmother he was entirely at ease. Ever since she had paid his trifling debts when he was a young man, he had adored her. Tremont, always discreet and almost in love with his godmother, kept her in a state of great good humor always, and when she had suggested to him this little party he had been delighted. In speaking over the telephone the Marquise d'Esclignac had said very firmly:

"My dear Robert, you understand that this excursion engages you to nothing."

"Oh, of course, marraine."

"We both need a change, and between ourselves, Julia has a little mission on foot."

Tremont would be delighted to help Miss Redmond carry it out. Whom else should he ask?

"By all means, any one you like," said his godmother diplomatically. "We want to sail the day after tomorrow." She felt safe, knowing that no worldly people would accept an invitation on twenty-four hours' notice.

"So," the Duc de Tremont reflected, as he hung up the receiver, "Miss Redmond has a scheme, a mission! Young girls do not have schemes and missions in good French society."

"Mademoiselle," he said to her, as they walked up and down on the deck in the pale sunset, in front of the chair of the Marquise d'Esclignac, "I never saw an ornament more becoming to a woman than the one you wear."

"The ornament, Monsieur?"

"On your sleeve It is so beautiful. A string of pearls would not be more beautiful, although your pearls are lovely, too. Are all American girls Red Cross members?"

"But of course not, Monsieur. Are all girls anywhere one thing?"

"Yes," said the Duc de Tremont, "they are all charming, but there are gradations."

"Do you think that we shall reach Algiers tomorrow, Monsieur?"

"I hope not, Mademoiselle."

Miss Redmond turned her fine eyes on him.

"You hope not?"

"I should like this voyage to last forever, Mademoiselle."

"How ridiculous!"

Her look was so frank that he laughed in spite of himself, and instead of following up the politeness, he asked:

"Why do you think of Algiers as a field for nursing the sick, Mademoiselle?"

"There has been quite a deputation of the Red Cross women lately going from Paris to the East."

"But," said the young man, "there are poor in Tarascon, and sick, too. There is a great deal of poverty in Nice, and Paris is the nearest of all."

"The American girls are very imaginative," said Julia Redmond. "We must have some romance in all we do."

"I find the American girls very charming," said Tremont.

"Do you know many, Monsieur?"

"Only one," he said serenely.

Miss Redmond changed the subject quickly and cleverly, and before he knew it, Tremont was telling her stories about his own military service, which had been made in Africa. He talked well and entertained them both, and Julia Redmond listened when he told her of the desert, of its charm and its desolation, and of its dangers. An hour passed. The Marquise d'Esclignac took an anteprandial stroll, Mimi mincing at her heels.

"Ce pauvre Sabron!" said Tremont. "He has disappeared off the face of the earth. What a horrible thing it was, Mademoiselle! I knew him in Paris; I remember meeting him again the night before he left the Midi. He was a fine fellow with a career before him, his friends say."

"What do you think has become of Monsieur de Sabron?"

Miss Redmond, so far, had only been able to ask this question of her aunt and of the stars. None of them had been able to tell her. Tremont shrugged his shoulders thoughtfully.

"He may have dragged himself away to die in some ambush that they have not discovered, or likely he has been take captive, le pauvre diable!"

"France will do all it can, Monsieur . . ."

"They will do all they can, which is to wait. An extraordinary measure, if taken just now, would probably result in Sabron being put to death by his captors. He may be found tomorrow—he may never be found."

A slight murmur from the young girl beside him made Tremont look at her. He saw that her hands were clasped and that her face was quite white, her eyes staring fixedly before her, out toward Africa. Tremont said:

"You are compassion itself, Mademoiselle; you have a tender heart. No wonder you wear the Red Cross. I am a soldier, Mademoiselle. I thank you for all soldiers. I thank you for Sabron . . . but, we must not talk of such things."

He thought her very charming, both romantic and idealistic. She would make a delightful friend. Would she not be too intense for a wife? However, many women of fashion joined the Red Cross. Tremont was a commonplace man, conventional in his heart and in his tastes.

"My children," said the marquise, coming up to them with Mimi in her arms, "you are as s ous as though we were on a boat bound for the North Pole and expected to live on tinned things and salt fish. Aren't you hungry, Julia? Robert, take Mimi to my maid, will you? Julia," said her aunt as Tremont went away with the little dog, "you look dramatic, my dear; you're pale as death in spite of this divine air and this enchanting sea." She linked her arm through her niece's. "Take a brisk walk with me for five minutes and whip up your blood. I believe you were on the point of making Tremont some unwise confession."

"I assure you no, ma tante."

"Isn't Bob a darling, Julia?"

"Awfully," returned her niece absent-mindedly.

"He's the most eligible young man in Paris, Julia, and the most difficult to please."

"Ma tante," said the girl in a low tone, "he tells me that France at present can do practically nothing

"The Ornament, Monsieur?"

about finding Monsieur de Sabron. Fancy a great army and a great nation helpless for the rescue of a single soldier, and his life at stake!"

"Julia," said the marquise, taking the trembling hand in her own, "you will make yourself ill, my darling, and you will be no use to anyone, you know."

"You're right," returned the girl. "I will be silent and I will only pray."

She turned from her aunt to stand for a few moments quiet, looking out at the sea, at the blue water through which the boat cut and flew. Along the horizon was a mist, rosy and translucent, and out of it white Algiers would shine before many hours.

When Tremont, at luncheon a little later, looked at his guests, he saw a new Julia. She had left her coat with the Red Cross in her cabin with her hat. In her pretty blouse, her pearls around her neck, the soft flush on her cheeks, she was apparently only a light-hearted woman of the world. She teased her aunt gently, she laughed very deliciously and lightly flirted with the Duc de Tremont, who opened a bottle of champagne. The Marquise d'Esclignac beamed upon her niece. Tremont found her more puzzling than ever. "She suggests the chameleon," he thought, "she has moods. Before, she was a tragic muse; at luncheon she is an adorable sybarite."

CHAPTER XVII.

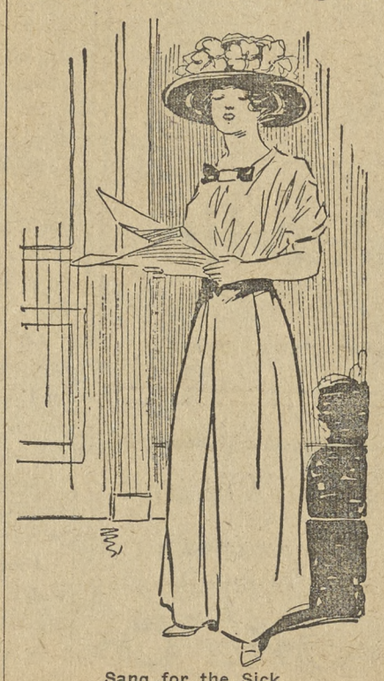
Out of the Desert.

From a dreamy little villa, whose walls were streaming with bougainvillea, Miss Redmond looked over Algiers, over the tumult and hum of it, to the sea. Tremont, by her side, looked at her. From head to foot the girl was in white. On one side the bougainvillea laid its scarlet flowers against the stainless linen of her dress, and on her other arm was the Red Cross.

The American girl and the Frenchman had become the best of friends. She considered him a sincere companion and an unconscious confederate. He had not yet decided what he thought of her, or how. His promise to remain on the yacht had been broken and he paid his godmother and Miss Redmond constant visits at their villa, which the marquise rented for the season.

There were times when Tremont thought Miss Redmond's exile a fanatical one, but he always found her fascinating and a lovely woman, and he wondered what it was that kept him from laying his title and his fortune at her feet. It had been understood between the godmother and himself that he was to court Miss Redmond a' l'americaine.

"She has been brought up in such a shocking fashion, Robert, that nothing but American love-making will



Sang for the Sick.

appeal to her. You will have to make love to her, Robert. Can you do it?"

"But, marraine, I might as well make love to a sister of charity."

"There was la Belle Heloise, and no woman is immune."

"I think she is engaged to some American cowboy who will come and claim her, marraine."

His godmother was offended.

"Rubbish!" she said. "She is engaged to no one, Bob. She is an idealist, a Rosalind; but that will not prevent her from making an excellent wife."

"She is certainly very beautiful," said the Duc de Tremont, and he told Julia so.

"You are very beautiful," said the Duc de Tremont to Miss Redmond, as she leaned on the balcony of the villa. The bougainvillea leaned against her breast. "When you stood in the hospital under the window and sang to the poor devils, you looked like an angel."

"Poor things!" said Julia Redmond. "Do you think that they liked it?"

"Liked it!" exclaimed the young man enthusiastically, "couldn't you see by their faces? One poor devil said to me: 'One can die better now, Monsieur.' There was no hope for him, it seems."

Tremont and Marquise d'Esclignac had docilely gone with Julia Redmond every day at a certain hour to the different hospitals, where Julia, after rendering some slight services to the nurses—for she was not needed—sang for the sick, standing in the outer hallway of the building open on every side. She knew that Sabron was not among these sick. Where he was or what sounds his ears might hear, she could not know; but she sang for him, and the fact put a sweetness in her voice that touched the ears of the suffering and uplifted those who were not too far down to be uplifted, and as for the dying, it helped them, as the soldier said, to die.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Tabloid Aeroplanes.

The British reason, quite logically, that the smaller the aeroplane and the faster it can fly the less danger of its being hit by shots fired from earth. So the British airmen favor an unusually small machine, which they call the "tabloid." A very light frame is fitted with an 80-horsepower motor, which will drive the frail machine through the air at the rate of 100 miles an hour. The engine is covered with armor. The aviator seeking to drop a bomb on the enemy approaches his target at a height of 5,000 feet. When straight above it, he turns the nose of his machine straight down and drops at terrific speed. When within 500 feet of the target he drops his bombs as quickly as possible and then shoots skyward at a tremendous pace. —American Boy.

Hopeful Mission.

If even one of those 300 commercial travelers who have gone to South America succeeds in making a South American see a United States joke their toil will not have been in vain.—Cleveland Leader.

CAP and BELLS

JOKE ON CURIOUS NEIGHBORS

Young Wife Was Scolding Curly-Haired Black Pup and Not Her Husband, as Was Supposed.

His name was Charlie and they had been married only a week. She was particularly affectionate and their thin-walled apartment concealed little of import from curious neighbors. One night the neighbors gasped in amazement and then suspended all other things to listen, says Columbus Dispatch. "She" was speaking in strident, angry tones.

"Charlie," she was saying imperiously, "if you ever come into this house again and muddy my carpets with your feet, right back home you go!"

"Gosh! A divorce," breathed the next-door man to his wife. They spent most of the night wondering whether the newlyweds could live together another week.

"Well, he had no right to spoil her carpets," commented the wife with a finality that ended the discussion.

Next morning a curly-haired black pup was cavorting over the lawn of the newlyweds.

"Charlie," the young wife was saying to the new pet, "I'm sorry I scolded you last night, but your feet were terribly muddy."

And She Believed Him.

"Hubby."

"Yes, my love."

"You used to seem glad when I telephoned you at the office, but when I called you up today you were as cross as an old bear."

"That was only a pose of mine, Angela."

"Oh?"

"Our confounded office boy was grinning so I had to conceal how delighted I really was."

Overestimated Them.

"A man should stop every now and then and take stock of himself," remarked the philosopher.

"I don't agree with you," said the pessimistic person.

"Why not?"

"It is impossible for a man to remain always twenty-one. And that is about the only time in life when taking stock of himself is apt to give him any considerable amount of satisfaction."

Rapid Progression.

"Well, sir?" said the judge, sternly.

"Me an' my wife had some words, your honor," began the prisoner, "an' one thing led to another."

"What do you mean by that?"

"You see, sir, she started by throwing the salt shaker at me. Then she shied a few cups an' saucers, then a few plates an' wound up by hittin' me over the head with the coffee pot."

TIGHTWADDO.

She—I understand that young De Pinch has been operated on for appendicitis.

He—Yes, it's the first time anyone was known to get anything out of him. But you see they had to give him chloroform to get that.

Playing to the Galleries.

"Senator Bluffum seems always anxious to fight the battles of the people."

"In a strictly oratorical sense, of course."

"Oh, yes. He represents a constituency who believe that the more noise he makes the harder he is working to protect them from his unscrupulous associates."

The Way of It.

"Does your suburban neighbor raise his own vegetables?"

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Most Advanced of Specialists Concede They Know Little of the Vagaries of the Brain.

A French sergeant who was wounded in the head in the Franco-Prussian war of 1870 had abnormal times, which lasted about thirty hours, during which he felt and smelt nothing, although his appetite was normal. During these abnormal periods certain experiments were made with him, and one of these was the writing of an unseen letter, the writer's hand being hidden by a special screen.

Ten sheets of paper were placed under his hand, and he would commence to write. As he wrote, the sheets would be removed one by one, until only the signature would appear on the last. That is to say, he would have written one page of writing on ten sheets. Then he would be asked to read his letter from the last sheet, blank with the exception of the signature. This he would do without missing a word, making corrections where necessary, and putting punctuation marks exactly in the right place as measured by the other sheets.

There is the case of a Scottish lawyer, who, having a perplexing case in hand, was observed by his wife to get up one night, go to a writing desk in the bedroom, sit down and write for a considerable time. Having carefully folded his document, he then opened his desk, put it away and came back to bed.

Next morning he related a dream to his wife, in the course of which he had given an excellent expert opinion on the case at issue, no single point of which he could recall. Judge of his surprise when his wife led him to his desk, told him where to look, and directed him to his own dream document, where he found the whole matter clearly written out and the whole case satisfactory.

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ALWAYS ON BRINK OF DEATH

Workers in High Explosives Realize What May Be the Result of a Moment's Carelessness.

Explosives are solids which, under certain conditions, suddenly change into heated gas occupying many times the original space of the solids. Ordinary gunpowder, when fired, turns into gas, of which the volume is 4,000 times as great as that of the powder. No wonder the bullet in front of it leaves the muzzle of the rifle in a hurry.

Today there are scores, even hundreds, of different sorts of explosives known to science. Some, such as lyddite, require a very considerable shock to explode them. Others, such as nitroglycerin, are fearfully dangerous to handle, for a few extra degrees of warmth or a very slight jar is sufficient to turn them instantly into gas.

Of the latter type there is nothing quite so unstable as iodide of nitrogen. It has to be made in alcohol. When allowed to dry it appears as a brown powder, and so unstable is this powder that a touch with a feather will set it off. The experiment has been tried of leaving a few grains upon a table mixed with a few grains of sugar. The first bluebottle that flew on the table and began to crawl among the grains caused an explosion.

The mere jarring of the air by a loud shout or a heavy footstep is sufficient to detonate iodide of nitrogen, and it need hardly be added that no one in his senses would attempt to make this terrible stuff. To do so in any quantity would be equivalent to committing suicide.

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LET A CHILD "BE ITSELF"

Parents Should Not by Any Means Make Everyone Conform to Same Pattern.

Mothers and fathers must realize that every human being is a distinct individual, with his own peculiar gifts, traits and qualities; with a something distinctly his own which should make him in some degree different from everybody else. To a great extent the effect of school and home training has been to destroy this best essence of the child; to make children more or less alike, Miriam Finn Scott writes in the Delineator. Such a course fails to make the most of our children; a child so trained is a factory product—one of thousands who have been turned out on a standardized pattern. A child whose personality has been allowed well rounded development is an infinitely bigger and more useful embryonic adult than would the same child be had he been turned out on the factory plan. He has something fresh (perhaps not big) to give to life, and life has more to give him.

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"Yes, I think he does, too."

"He knows that we'd be apt to sit there until we got a chill and then pneumonia and death might follow."

"That's it."

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NOTHING COMING TO JOHNNY

Small Boy Would Get No Change From Groceryman If He Gave Him Dollar—Old Bill in Way.

The topic having turned to mathematical problems, Congressman Jacob A. Canter of New York told of an incident that happened in a public school.

The teacher was instructing a junior class in arithmetic, when she started to give the youngsters some mental exercises, says Philadelphia Telegraph.

"Johnny," said she, turning to a youngster of ten, "if you went to the grocery store and bought 10 cents' worth of sugar, 5 cents' worth of soap, 25 cents' worth of coffee and 10 cents' worth of crackers and gave the proprietor a dollar bill in payment for these articles, how much change would you get?"

"I wouldn't get any change, Miss Mary," was the rather surprising response of the boy.

"You wouldn't get any change!" exclaimed the teacher. "How do you figure that out?"

"Storekeeper wouldn't give up," answered Johnny. "He would freeze on to it for the old bill."

Then the Clerk Collapsed.

"I don't suppose this business could run very long without me," said the important young man.

"Perhaps not," answered the visitor. "Is the boss in?"

"Oh, yes. But I can tell you anything you want to know."

"No, you can't, either. I'm the silent partner and financial backer of this firm, and I want to know how long a nincompoop like you is going to be kept on the pay roll."

CONSOLING.

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In Politics.

"Is it true that all successful politicians keep one ear to the ground so that they may learn what their constituents are thinking?"

"Oh, no. The men who subscribe the largest amounts to campaign funds keep the politicians informed of what they are thinking and it doesn't matter particularly what other people think."

Forceful Character.

"You seem to have had a great many places lately," said the housewife to the prospective cook. "Yet I notice that all your employers give you good references."

"Yis, mum," replied the candidate, as she rolled up her sleeves and showed a brawny arm, "I nearly always leaves wid a good riference."

A Modern Version.

"Here's a pretty romance. A millionaire fell in love with a country maid while making an automobile tour, and now they are to be married."

"I suppose she gave the thirsty motorist a drink of water, standing by his car in rustic grace?"

"No. She sold him a little gasoline for his auto."

Faint Praise.

"What did the critics seem to think of Scribson's latest novel?"

"They didn't seem to think much of it."

"No?"

"One said it might be a good book to read on a train, if there were plenty of charming scenery to look at along the route."

Melancholia.

"If I were to offer you a job, what would you think?" asked the practical philanthropist.

"Indeed, sir," replied the mournful-looking tramp, "dere ain't nothin' you could say to me dat would add to de mental depression I've been laborin' under fur many years."

On the Rialto.

"I know you were married twenty years ago, yet you have the nerve to tell me that this is your seventh wedding anniversary."

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When Nations Decay.

Disease, moral and physical, is mainly the handiwork of a man's perversity or folly. The symptoms of national decay are many and easily diagnosed.

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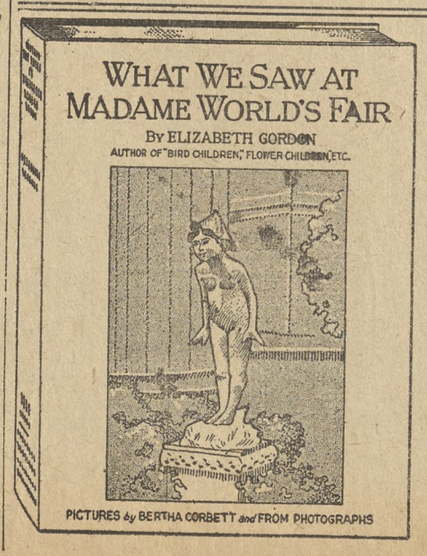
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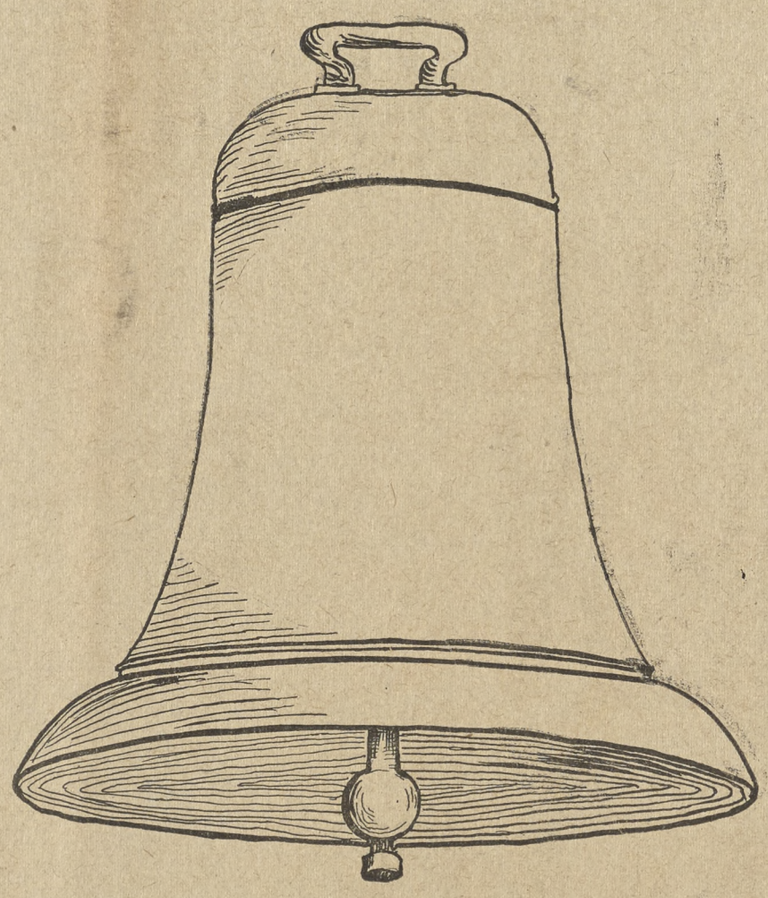

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